Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-4.   (Canceled)

5.   (Currently Amended) An instruction form management apparatus comprising:

an input part a storage that inputs stores an instruction form that indicates a process to be executed to a document by at least one of a plurality of instruction form execution apparatus;apparatuses connected to the instruction form management apparatus via a network;

an output part that outputs the instruction form to any the at least one of the plurality of instruction form execution apparatuses; and

a deletion part that deletes causes the instruction form when the instruction form is input from any one of the plurality of instruction form execution apparatuses by the input part and to be deleted from the storage and from the at least one of the plurality of instruction form execution apparatuses when the process indicated in the instruction form has been completed.

6.   (Original) The instruction form management apparatus according to claim 5, further comprising a determination part that determines whether or not the instruction form includes information to delete the instruction form when the at least one of the instruction form execution apparatuses completes execution of the process indicated in the instruction form, wherein the deletion part deletes the instruction form if the instruction form includes the information to delete the instruction form.

7.   (Original) The instruction form management apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the information to delete the instruction form indicates that the instruction form is executed only once.

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8.   (Currently Amended) An instruction form management system ~~comprising:~~ comprising at least one instruction form execution apparatus and an instruction form management apparatus connected via a network, wherein ~~that comprises an instruction form input part that inputs an instruction form to indicate execution of a process, an execution part that executes the process indicated in the instruction form, and a deletion part that deletes the instruction form when the execution part completes the execution of the process indicated in the instruction form; and~~

~~an instruction form management apparatus,~~

~~wherein~~ the instruction form management apparatus ~~comprises~~ comprises:

a generation ~~an input~~ part that ~~inputs~~ generates an instruction form that indicates a process to be executed to a document by the at least one instruction form execution apparatus, and

an output part that outputs the instruction form to the at least one instruction form execution ~~apparatus.~~ apparatus, and wherein

the at least one instruction form execution apparatus comprises:

an instruction form reception part that receives the instruction form and a document which is an object of the process,

an execution part that executes the process indicated in the instruction form to the document, and

a deletion part that deletes the instruction form from the instruction form execution apparatus when the execution part completes the execution of the process indicated in the instruction form.

9.   (Original) The instruction form management system according to claim 8, further comprising a copying part that forms at least one copied instruction form by copying the instruction form, wherein the deletion part deletes all the copied instruction forms.

10. (Original) The instruction form management system according to claim 8, further comprising a relation part that forms at least one related instruction form that relates to the instruction form, wherein the deletion part deletes all the related instruction forms.

11. (Currently Amended) An instruction form management system ~~comprising:~~ comprising an instruction form management apparatus and at least one instruction form execution apparatus, wherein

the instruction form management apparatus comprises:

~~that comprises an input~~ a generation part that ~~inputs~~ generates an instruction form that indicates a process to be ~~executed by~~ executed to a document by the at least one ~~of a plurality of~~ instruction form execution apparatus,

an output part that outputs the instruction form to ~~any one of the plurality of~~ the at least one instruction form execution apparatuses, and

a deletion part that ~~deletes~~ causes the instruction form ~~when the instruction form is input from any one of the plurality of instruction form execution apparatuses by the input part and~~ to be deleted from the at least one instruction form execution apparatus when the process indicated in the instruction form has been completed; and

~~an instruction~~ the instruction form execution apparatus ~~that comprises~~ comprises:

an instruction form ~~input~~ reception part that ~~inputs~~ receives the instruction form output from the output ~~part, an execution part that executes an instruction indicated in the instruction form, and~~ part and a document which is an object of the process, ~~and an instruction form output part that outputs the instruction form when execution of the instruction indicated in the instruction form is completed.~~

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an execution part that executes an instruction indicated in the instruction form.

12.   (Original) The instruction form management system according to claim 11, further comprising a copying part that forms at least one copied instruction form by copying the instruction form, wherein the deletion part deletes all the copied instruction forms.

13.   (Original) The instruction form management system according to claim 11, further comprising a relation part that forms at least one related instruction form that relates to the instruction form, wherein the deletion part deletes all the related instruction forms.

14.   (Currently Amended) An instruction form management system ~~comprising:~~ comprising an instruction form execution apparatus and at least one instruction form management apparatus, wherein

the instruction form management apparatus comprises:

~~that comprises an instruction form input part~~ a storage that ~~inputs~~ stores an instruction form ~~to indicate execution of a process, an execution part that executes the process indicated in the instruction form, and a deletion part that deletes the instruction form when the execution part completes the execution of the process indicated in the instruction form; and~~ that indicates a process to be executed to a document by the at least one instruction form execution apparatus,

an output part that outputs the instruction form to the at least one instruction form execution apparatus, and

a deletion part that deletes the instruction form from the storage when the process indicated in the instruction form has been completed, and wherein

the instruction form execution apparatus comprises:

an instruction form ~~management apparatus that comprises an input~~ reception part that ~~inputs~~ receives the ~~an~~ instruction form and a document which is an object of the process,

~~that indicates a process to be executed by at least one of a plurality of instruction form execution apparatus, an output part that outputs the instruction form to any one of the plurality of instruction form execution apparatuses, and~~ an execution part that executes the process indicated in the instruction form, and `

a deletion part that deletes the instruction form ~~when~~ from the instruction form execution apparatus when the execution part completes the execution of ~~is input from any one of the plurality of instruction form execution apparatuses by the input part and~~ the process indicated in the instruction form.~~form has been completed.~~

15. (Currently Amended) The instruction form management system according to claim 14, further comprising a copying part that forms at ~~lest~~least one copied instruction form by copying the instruction form, wherein at least one of the deletion part and the instruction form deletion part deletes all the copied instruction forms.

16. (Original) The instruction form management system according to claim 14, further comprising a relation part that forms at least one related instruction form that relates to the instruction form, wherein at least one of the deletion part and the instruction form deletion part deletes all the related instruction forms.

17-19. (Canceled)